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MATERIAL, USES, AND METHODS

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Respectfully submitted,

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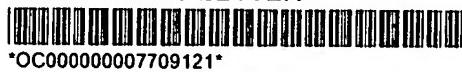
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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

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*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
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- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$990.
  - \$738 for 41 total claims over 20.
  - \$252 for 3 independent claims over 3 .
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
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- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1860.**

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